## Village of Fayetteville

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### **Village Meetings**

Board of Trustees meet on the 2nd and 4th Monday Of each month at the Village Hall At 7:30 pm

### News from the Mayor

I hope all of you are enjoying your summer. This issue of the newsletter is brought to you by all our departments within the village. The village is in full swing with many exciting projects that continue to enhance the quality of life for all residents. In this newsletter are important dates for you to put into your schedule. Events are open to all residents and we hope you can come and enjoy all that Fayetteville has to offer.

I'm pleased to announce that we will be rehabilitating Duguid Park. This park has been dilapidated and has been used for storage for the Fire Department, as well as a brush site for the DPW. The Parks Commission, along with our DPW, will be clearing the debris and opening up green spaces for all to enjoy. This is the beginning of many stages for this park. We hope in the future to put several recreational items for all to enjoy, eventually opening the rear of the park for trails and a learning site for our Boy Scouts and Girls Scouts. This project is part of our annual parks budget and I want to thank our DPW staff for taking on this project with such short notice.

The village has been working for over 25 years to have a park also at the old DOT site in the lower village. I'm pleased to announce that the village board has authorized me to enter into a contract with State Parks to finally begin turning this land into an area that we all can enjoy. The board has also hired Stearns and Wheler to help the village with the engineering plans and help us with the \$500,000 grant we received last year for Phase 1 of the park plan. This exciting park project will have many partners, including New York State parks, State Senator Valesky, and the Fayetteville DPW, along with group of dedicated citizens that have been helping for years on making this project a reality. If all goes well, we will start moving dirt sometime in the fall with major construction for the spring of 2010.

The NYS DOT is planning on starting the Safe-Routes-to-School side walk project in August and has committed to having the project done in early 2010. This project was explained in the last edition of our newsletter and if you want more information on the project,

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please goes to our website. The project is being funded with a grant that the village received last year for \$650,000 and our share has already been allocated in the last two years' budget. This project is a true win-win for everyone who uses and enjoys our sidewalks.

The village was approached by a young member of our community about putting in a memory garden in the village to be able to have a place to go and be able to sit and reflect and think about a loved one. A presentation was done for the Board last month and they have agreed to continue to review the project to see if we can make it a reality. The memory garden will be done by donated services and products and will have some village resources if the project gets off the ground. We feel it is important that we have a place for our residents, young and old, to go and reflect and be able to memorialize a loved one. This project will be a coordinated project with the Senior Center, the Village, and this extremely dedicated resident of our community. There is a preliminary drawing and plans at the village office if you would like to see them.

Our fiscal year started June 1<sup>st</sup> and we are continuing to watch for ways to provide great services and programs for the lowest possible tax rate. Inside the newsletter you will find a chart that shows how much we spend in each area of the village; it will also show you were our revenues are generated from. It is important that we continue to keep our spending in line during these difficult times. I assure you that one of my main focuses is to continue to look for grants as well as cost-saving technologies and procedures that will save our village money for years to come. If you have questions on the budget, please feel free to email me or call.

The recent referendum vote for the firehouse renovation was a great testament of our residents and how important the village government is. Over 600 people took the time to vote on this important project and whether you were in favor of the project or not, the residents made the decision of whether or not to go forward with this project. The fire department will update you on the status of the project but I will tell you that the village is working on federal stimulus grants as well as working on funding sources and plans to make sure that we get the best possible price for the project.

The Syracuse Symphony and Jazz Fest are coming back again this year to Beard Park. Please mark your calendar for these great events, as well as our annual Fayetteville Festival scheduled for September 26<sup>th</sup> from 12 till dusk, with fireworks at dusk. These great events are sponsored by the village and without the support of many great organizations, and you the tax payers, these events wouldn't be possible.

We still have openings on several volunteer boards, if you're interested in serving on any of the boards please send me an email. We are one of the few communities that has all volunteer boards and I want to thank all of our village volunteers and ask you to join this great team of dedicated residents.

Have a great summer! Enjoy all that Fayetteville has to offer, and I hope I get the chance to see you over the summer. And thanks for taking a moment to read the village newsletter.

Mark A. Olson
Mayor, Village of Fayetteville

## **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE**

~ Richard Greene, 637-9864 ext.130 ~

With the arrival of summer, the Office of Code Enforcement has been responding to a number of complaints with respect to property maintenance. Please be aware that all complaints are taken seriously, so your cooperation would be appreciated. Many times the Codes Enforcement Officer (CEO) views other violations of other properties when responding to the initial complaint.

Upon the CEO confirming the complaint as a violation or viewing other violations, he will attempt to make contact or leave his business card requesting the resident to contact him. A lack of response or cooperation will result in a violation letter being issued to the property owner and/or resident.

If you receive a violation letter, you can confirm the citation of the Code of the Village of Fayetteville by going to the Village's website, click on "Village Laws & Code", than click on "ecode360". For a violation of the Property Maintenance Code of New York State, we would be glad to provide you a copy of that respective Code violation, but you must call the Office and request same.

An example of some of the recent complaints include –

- <u>Garbage and Rubbish</u> Although Chapter 86 does not regulate when one places garbage and/or rubbish containers out for collection, it would be appreciated that no containers, bags, etc. be placed on the curb <u>prior to 5:00 PM the day</u> before the garbage and/or rubbish is scheduled for pickup. Chapter 86 does require that these containers be removed from public view <u>the day of collection</u>. Please note that construction debris can only be placed on the curb for collection on the <u>last Friday of the month</u>.
- <u>Grass and Weeds</u> Chapter 92 states that any growth, grass, weeds or other uncultivated vegetation <u>in excess of six inches</u> be cut and remove. Please remember that grass clippings are no longer allowed to be in your garbage and/or rubbish, so it would make sense to follow the recommendation of <u>Cornell Cooperative Extension</u> and mulched your grass.
- Swimming Pools Chapter 154 requires one to maintain the pool and related filtration equipment, so that the water in the pool is being properly circulated. Improperly circulated water will attract mosquitoes. Also, one must maintain, at a minimum, a four (4) foot barrier around the pool with an entrance gate that locks. An opening in your barrier may attract young children, especially when you are not home or away for a long period of time. If you have recently installed or replace your pool in the past year or so, a pool alarm is required.
- <u>Parking on Lawns</u> Chapter 187 prohibits parking in front yards or within five feet of any side or rear lot line except in driveways. This applies to all motorized vehicles including boats, trailers, etc.
- Storage or Parking Vehicles Chapter 170 limits the storage or parking of any vehicle to those that are licensed. Ten (10) days after licensing, that vehicle must have an inspection sticker on the front windshield. This applies to all motorized vehicles, boats, trailers, etc.

CHECK THIS OUT: an article from Natural Home Magazine is posted on our website. It's called "Save Green—Forget 10-year paybacks on energy-saving home products. New tax incentives & rebates mean your home improvements could pay off right away."



## RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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We are "up and running" and off to a great start at summer programs offered by the Fayetteville Recreation Committee! Summer Drama and our Field Hockey Camp kicked off the season with record numbers attending. Girls Lacrosse Camp begins soon.

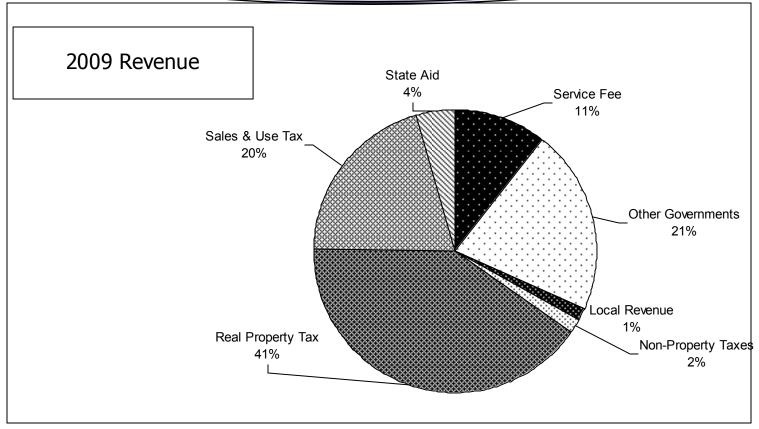
Fayetteville Elementary is the place to be, as our playground campers are busy making new friends and creating a group arts-and-crafts project to be presented to the Fayetteville Senior Center. Don't be surprised if you spot your next door neighbor leaving his/her home dressed in cool pj's, nutty hats, wild shirts and crazy socks... it's all just part of the fun we planned for them at playground! We even invited Tumblebus to join our kindergarten and first grade groups for a day of new experiences. Throw in some popsicle days and a Skippy Ice Cream visit and you get a sense of the fun we are all enjoying!

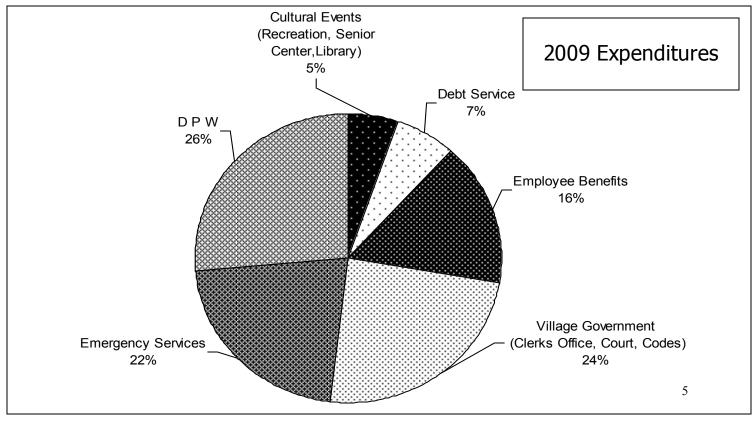
In Session II, we look forward to some friendly competition days where our campers will challenge their counselors to crab soccer, softball, kickball and balloon volleyball matches. Everyone eagerly awaits what has become one of our most popular events - Tug of War Day. Cheering is heard throughout the entire school and surrounding areas as Mr. Meehan (Director) and Mrs. Adler (Arts/Crafts Director) emcee the big event. Look out counselors... this years' group looks strong and determined to claim the trophy!

Session III playground begins July 27. Please call the Recreation Office if you have a K-4<sup>th</sup> grader who would like to join in the fun. Counselor Car Wash, Paint Your Counselor, Parents Parachute Day, Zoo to You and Walks to the Library are planned for this session. Reminder: We are very fortunate to be able to provide crossing guards at two village locations to help those who walk to playground. Call for more information.

Look for the Fayetteville Recreation Committee at the FAYETTEVILLE FESTIVAL at Beard Park in September. The fun will continue as we all gather together. In the mean-time, enjoy the summer months and take time to exercise with your family!

# CLERK TREASURER'S OFFICE





# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

637-6065

The Department of Public Works provides many services to the residents of the Village of Fayetteville. Recently it has come to our attention that homeowners are not aware that the DPW is on call 24/7 for sewer problems. If a call to the DPW is received outside of regular working hours (7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.), the answering service will notify the proper person. The DPW has responded to 37 calls during the past 10 months.

Congratulations to village residents who have placed approximately 500 tons of recycling in their blue bins since June 1, 2008! Everyone is encouraged to keep up the good work.. If you have questions regarding what can be recycled, call the Onondaga County Resource Recovery hotline at 453-2870 or visit their website at <a href="https://www.OCRRA.org">www.OCRRA.org</a>. Blue bins are available at the DPW garage, 5572 North Manlius Street—the building with the yellow snowplow in the front—or call the office for delivery.

The village parks are currently being cleaned up for the spring and summer seasons, which includes installation of the fountains in Beard Park and picnic tables in all parks. General maintenance is done daily. The DPW will be placing "NO SMOKING" signs in the parks in accordance with a resolution passed by the Village Board of Trustees at its October 8, 2008 meeting, sponsored by the Onondaga County Health Department.



The DPW works along with the Tree Commission, inspecting village trees to determine which ones need to be trimmed or replaced. Please realize, *however*, the DPW does **not** employ a certified arborist, but does a great job maintaining our street trees to the best of their abilities. During the past few years, DPW employees have planted several hundred new trees. If you are interested in having a tree planted in your area, please call Patricia Tobin, Tree Commission Chairperson, at 637-8640.

Snowplow damage is being repaired with topsoil and grass seed where needed. Street sweeping is also underway and since the DPW uses salt brine during the winter months, there is much less debris on the streets.

Brush and yard waste pickup will be ongoing during the summer. It is ground into mulch which is brought to the DPW for free pickup by village residents. *Please remember that the village does not pick up grass clippings*. Check with the DPW for pickup days for construction materials or hard fill.

<u>UPDATE:</u> PLEASE NOTE we can no longer take televisions or monitors.

Due to increased disposal expense, we cannot accept these

items.

The village has received many compliments for all the prompt responses and services provided by our Department of Public Works and for the friendliness of its employees.



# FAYETTEVILLE FIRE DEPT. 637-6101 NON-EMERGENCY#

#### Dear Residents:

On behalf of the membership of the Fayetteville Fire Department, I want to thank you for your support for the building renovation project. It is exciting to see such a large group of citizens turn out to participate in deciding what occurs in our community. Now we will be able to design and construct a facility that will be functional and safe for our members. We started to work with a community group to look at the redesign of the exterior of the building. We hope to have that done in 4-6 weeks. As part of the renovation, we have also secured a temporary site for use as the fire station during construction. That site will be the former Powerhouse Chevrolet building. Mr. and Mrs. Michael Santaro have recently purchased this property and are working with us to minimize costs and offer support to the Fire Department during the renovation project.

As our new budget year begins we are eager to announce a number of new community service program that will be available to village residents. The Fire Department will be offering free CPR and Automatic External Defibrillator training to any interested resident. The program will be offered to neighborhood groups and work its way throughout the Village. The first offering will be on July 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. This will target the Briar Brook development. There is no cost to any Village resident and each person completing the course will receive a CPR mask. Residents will receive a letter notifying them of when

their neighborhood is scheduled for this training and how to register for the training. The Fire Department will also offer free residential smoke detector installations for any Village resident. Residents can call the Fire Station at 637-6101 during business hours to schedule installation or pick up of a smoke detector. Lastly, the Fire Department has launched their annual fire and life safety inspection campaign of all industrial, retail, commercial, and multi-unit residential properties within the Village. There are over 140 parcels that are annually inspected by the Fire Department Code Compliance Technicians. The inspections focus on items ranging from building exits, electrical safety, and storage of materials within buildings. Should a Village resident want a free fire inspection of their single family home please call the Fire Station and schedule one with Captain Falgiatano.

Paul Hildreth

Fire Chief Village of Fayetteville

# FAYETTEVILLE FREE LIBRARY PROGRAM & EVENTS

www.fayettevillefreelibrary.org



at 6:30 pm in Beard Park, Fayetteville

Featuring

The Salt City Jazz Collective

Joe Columbo, Director and guest vocalists

Ronnie Leigh, Nancy Kelly and Jacque Tara Washington, and student performers The Stan Colella All-Star Band



Food from **Texas Roadhouse** will be sold at the concert. Come out to support the Library and enjoy a beautiful evening of jazz in the park!

### Save the Date!



CAFÉ 300 at the Fayetteville Free Library

## Grand Opening

Saturday, July 18th at 10:30am

11:00am Maestro Daniel Hege & SSO Executive Director Karen Gahl-Milla to speak on, ""The Beauty, The Fire, The Romance, The Joy!: An Exploration of the SSO's 2009-2010 Season

11:15am Syracuse Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet

12:30pm Lecture in the Stickley Museumby Mastercraftsman and Stickley Historian, Mike Danial



MASTER the Art of READING

...and check out all the great events going on this summer at FFL!!

There are Summer programs for both children and adults.

Please visit either by website or by stopping by

300 Orchard St, Fayetteville



## FAYETTEVILLE SENIOR CENTER

637-9025

#### **Special Events planned at the Senior Center this Summer**

All programs at the Senior Center are open to the Public! For reservations or for a membership form call 637-9025

- We have them! Tickets for the **Turning Stone Resort PGA Championship!** By buying your ticket from the Fayetteville Senior Center, a tournament participation charity, 100% of the ticket value is donated back to us. Tickets cost \$25.00 and may be purchased through Sept. 18th for any tournament day Sept. 30 Oct. 4.
- Arrive in style for day 2 of the Championship on Friday Oct. 2 in a **Luxury Limousine Coach.** Cost for the Coach is \$32, including tip. Call 637-9025 for a reservation. Seating is limited to 21.
- AARP 55 Alive driving classes will be offered Wed. & Thurs. evening July 22 & 23; and Tues. and Thurs. evening Aug. 18 & 20, from 6 to 10 pm. Cost \$14.
- Joe Julian from SU's Maxwell School will speak at the Center July 15<sup>th</sup> after a spaghetti dinner (\$8). Joe's talk is entitled "American's 11 Trillion\$ National Debt; can we really get away with this?"
- The **Stan Colella All Star band** will perform at the Center on July 31 at 1:30. Weather permitting; we will be outside under the tent.
- Our **Chicken BBQ** will be held on Wednesday Aug. 19 from 5:30-7:00 pm. Reservations are appreciated and will be held until 6 pm. After 6 pm it will be 1st come 1st served. Hope to see you at this delicious event.

Several of our regular programs are in need of a few new members. If you like to sing, are interested in current events or would like to learn a fun new game called bunco, give the Center a call. We would love to see you.



#### Senior Center Trips for 2009

Non-members may attend for an additional cost.

- Albany Historical Tour dinner at "Grandma's", July 8, \$97.
- Laurel Highlands of Pennsylvania includes 2 Wright homes, a river float, and a professional production of "The Pajama Game". July 27-30; \$684 double, \$764 single. Final payment due June 15.
- Luncheon Cruise on the Erie Canal, August19, \$59.
- Cooperstown, lunch at the Otesaga. September 17, \$68.
- Ithaca Ornithology Lab, Lunch at Taughannock Falls Inn. Oct. 15, \$73.
- Touring Stone PGA Championship Limousine Coach Trip on Oct. 2, \$57.

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Fayetteville Senior Center's Annual Appeal. Your generosity has made a difference in the lives of many.

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It looks like summer...
Thanks in part to the beautiful flower pots lining the village!

And from your comments, everyone agrees and appreciates their beauty.

Thanks for letting us know.



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

3rd – July Fourth-Village Office CLOSED 15th– Movie Night, Beard Park @ dusk 16th—JAZZ FEST, Beard Park 630 - 9pm 18th—SYRACUSE SYMPHONY, 8 PM

AUGUST

12th– Movie Night, Beard Park @dusk



SEPTEMBER

7th—Labor Day-Village Office CLOSED 8th—FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL 26th—FAYETTEVILLE FESTIVAL

### **VILLAGE CONTACT LIST**



The Village of Fayetteville is compiling a list of e-mail addresses for every resident in the Village. We are hoping to compile a comprehensive list that will help us contact you in the event of an emergency or simply as a means of getting information to you more efficiently. We are aware that many residents spend the winters in a more desirable climate and are not aware of what is happening in the community while they are away.

If you would like to be part of the Village's contacts please forward your e-mail address to the village clerk at lcorsette@fayettevilleny.gov.